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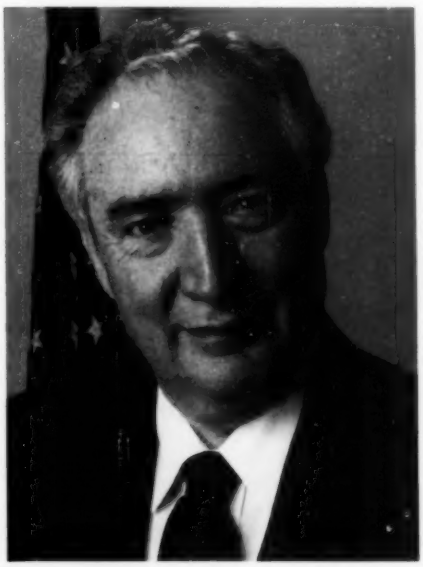
U.S. Secretary of Education Cavazos To Speak in Library's Hispanic Heritage Observance

The Library of Congress is observing National Hispanic Heritage Month this year with programs including a talk by U.S. Secretary of Education Lauro F. Cavazos on Monday, September 25, at 1:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library's Thomas Jefferson Building. His theme will be "1989—The Year of the Young Reader" and will consider the significance of education and literacy for Hispanic youth.



Secretary Cavazos will be introduced by Librarian of Congress James H. Billington, following a rendition of the "Star-Spangled Banner" by the popular Puerto Rican operatic singer, Michelle Rios.

A sixth generation Texan, Secretary Cavazos was born in South Texas. He earned his bachelors and master's degrees in zoology at Texas Tech University and his doctorate in physiology from Iowa State University. He taught at the Medical College of Virginia and at Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston, where he was also dean for five years. In 1980 he became the tenth president of Texas Tech University, the first Hispanic and first graduate of the school to hold that office.

Secretary Cavazos has made significant contributions to the field of medicine and education. He is the author of numerous publications in the areas of physiology and reproduction as well as

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medical education. He has also served as consultant to national and international health organizations, including the World Health Organization.

Secretary Cavazos' beliefs about education have evolved from his service on numerous councils of higher education at both state and national levels and his familiarity with a broad spectrum of educational institutions. Stressing that all students must have access to quality education, Secretary Cavazos encourages parents, students, and teachers to become involved in the educational process by demanding excellence in their school systems.

With a consumer-protection approach to Federal assistance programs, he has targeted Federal resources to improve opportunities for those most in need and has initiated special programs to combat drug and alcohol abuse.

Some of the most notable of the many accolades Secretary Cavazos has received include an award for Outstanding Leadership in the Field of Education from President Reagan, the National Hispanic Leadership Award in the field of education from the League of United Latin American Citizens, and the Medal of Honor of the University of California at Los Angeles.

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Bruce Tapper, Editor

Other Programs For Hispanic Heritage Month at the Library

In addition to the talk by U.S. Secretary of Education Lauro F. Cavazos on September 25 (see previous article) the Library of Congress will observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15 with a music performance, panel discussions, and film screenings.

The American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress will present "Ivan y Sus Auténticos Vallenatos de Colombia," a Colombian band from Baltimore, Md., in its Neptune Plaza free noontime concert series. The concert will be held on Thursday, September 21, at the Library's Thomas Jefferson Building, 10 First Street, S.E., from noon to 1:30 p.m.

A panel discussion entitled, "Children's Literature from Puerto Rico: Then and Now," sponsored by the Library's Hispanic Employment Program, will be held on Tuesday, October 3, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Mumford Room of the James Madison Memorial Building. The discussion will focus on three themes: the history of Puerto Rican children's literature from 1878 to the present; a contemporary survey of authors of children's books and how their work incorporates Puerto Rican and oral tradition; and an appreciation of Pura Belpre, a professional librarian and a well-known author of children's books.

Members of the panel will be Flor Pineiro de Rivera, author of *Un siglo de literatura infantil puertorriqueña;* Carmen Alicia Morales, a popular writer, storyteller, and performer in the Hispanic community; and Valerie Sandoval Mwalilino, coordinator of the African and Middle Eastern Acquisition Section of the Library's Order Division, who has lectured and published on various aspects of Hispanic and African-American librarianship and publishing. Elena Tscherny, coordinator of community information service at the District of Columbia Library and national editor of the *Reforma Newsletter* of the National Association to Promote Library Services to the Spanish Speaking, will be the panel's moderator.

A 1981 Universal Pictures film version of the stage play, "Zoot Suit," will be shown in two parts at noon on October 4 and 5 in the Mary Pickford Theater of the James Madison Memorial Building. An additional screening of the complete film will be held on October 12 at 4:30 p.m. The movie depicts bigotry directed against the Mexican-American community during a 1942 Los Angeles murder trial.

Following the screening on October 12, the Library's Hispanic Cultural Society will sponsor a panel discussion on the film. Those interested in attending any of the screenings are advised that seating in the Mary Pickford Theater is limited.

Contract Administration Is Subject of Series Of Brown Bag Lunches

Contract administration in libraries and information centers will be discussed in a series of brown bag lunches sponsored by the Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC) Education Working Group beginning September 22 at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

Fuad Suleiman, vice president of the Educational Development Center and director of its Washington office, will be the series' first guest speaker. Dr. Suleiman's talk, "Contracting for Library and Infor-

mation Center Services: A Delicate Balance," will examine the intricacies of contracting for services and products in national and international arenas.

All the sessions are scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Dining Room A of the James Madison Memorial Building. The guest speakers will present diverse viewpoints of contract administration in Federal libraries and information centers. The series offers a forum in which participants may learn about the complexities of contract administration in the Federal government.

Carol Johnson, vice president for Library Services and Products, Aspen Systems Corporation, Rockville, Md., will speak at a session on October 16. Before joining Aspen, Ms. Johnson worked for 14 years for the Federal government—for the U.S. Air Force as director of the Cambridge Geophysical Laboratory Library and for the U.S. Department of Agriculture as director of the Management Information Systems Office.

Future lectures in the series will be announced at the November 13 lecture.

The sessions are free and seating is limited. Reservations may be made by calling the FLICC office at (202) 707-6454. Those attending a session may bring their own lunches and beverages; only coffee will be provided. No food or beverages may be taken from the Library's cafeteria into Dining Room A.

The Federal Library and Information Center Committee was established in 1965 (as the Federal Library Committee) by the Library of Congress and the Bureau of the Budget to provide leadership and assistance to more than 3,000 Federal libraries and information centers.

Serving a Federal information infrastructure that extends coast to coast, to Hawaii and Alaska, and to American facilities in Europe and other parts of the world, FLICC is an administrative division in the Library of Congress.

Korea at the Library of Congress

Key P. Yang (left) and Ron Morse examine a Korean scroll in the Library, "Procession of the Korean Mission to Japan" (1711).

The Library of Congress has been central to the world's scholarly collections of materials on Korea and is increasingly becoming the focal point for Korean affairs more generally in Washington, D.C. Soon after he had been appointed as Librarian of Congress, James H. Billington was the first foreign dignitary to visit the new National Assembly Library in Seoul in 1987. Ronald Morse, the Library's development officer, has been a leader in Washington on holding scholarly conferences on Korea, and the monthly Korean luncheon group in Washington has met at the Library for many years. The Congressional Research Service has been a valuable source for Korea analysis for Congress and the Library employs 35 persons that know Korean.

Most importantly, the Korean Unit of the Library has the largest collection of Korean books, manuscripts, and other materials in the nation, and perhaps anywhere outside of Korea. When Ambassador Park Tong-jin of the Republic of Korea visited the Library on August 17 he toured the Jefferson Building restoration and visited with Dr. Billington to discuss ways for the Library to work more closely with Korean institutions, primarily the Korean National Assembly Library.

The Korean Unit of the Library's Asian Division monitors world events as they relate to the economic and political situation in both North and South Korea. Directed by Key P. Yang, it now boasts the strongest and most complete collections in the U.S. on those countries. The collection—containing some 100,000 items—includes wartime publications acquired by Evelyn McCune, the unit's first Korean area specialist, during the Korean conflict in the early 1950s.

Dr. Yang is especially proud of the Korean Unit's holdings in Korean Government publications as well as in scientific and technical journals, mainly acquired after 1965. The Library obtains these materials from a Korean purchasing agent and

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through an exchange agreement with the South Korean Government. In addition it receives gifts, mostly from individual authors.

volumes was in place by the 1920s.

Today the collection includes 5,600 periodical titles, and an extensive quantity of legal materials. While the primary responsibility of the Korean Unit is to assist the United States Congress, many inquiries are also received from the Executive Branch (the Departments of State, Commerce, Defense, and others) and financial institutions.

Dr. Billington (left) welcomes Korean ambassador Park Tong-jin to the Library.

There is also historical depth in the collection. The *Tonguk Yi-Sang-guk chip*, an essay written by a prominent Korean scholar, Yi Kyu-vu, dates to 1251 A.D. Another noteworthy rarity in the collection is a 1443 A.D. printed text from Seoul, South Korea. Among other examples of early Korean printing is a complete set of Yi Dynasty annals (1392–1910) in 1,679 volumes.

So Kwang-bom, the Korean Minister to Washington, D.C., in 1916 initiated the Library of Congress' collection with a contribution of 22 manuscript volumes on the organization of the Korean government. Beginning in 1919 other Korean books, some of them fine examples of early printing made with moveable cooper type, were obtained with the assistance of James W. Gale, a missionary in Korea and a diligent student of Korean culture. An impressive Korean collection of some 2,000

Demands for information on Korea are at an all-time high. The South Korean economic boom has increased the demand for studies and writings on the nation's commercial, scientific, and technological developments. The influx of Korean immigrants into America has also had an impact, especially on the demand for information on current events. The Library aims to increase its holdings in Korean publications to serve this growing demand.

The Library recently received a gift of a Korean-English typewriter for the work of the Congressional Research Service. It was given by Kong Choong Suk of the Korean Embassy, representing members of the Korean National Assembly.

Cataloging in Korean script has been performed at the Library since late 1984 via the RLIN (Research Libraries Information Network) system utilizing special Transtech CJK (Chinese, Japanese, Korean) terminals developed with the Research Libraries Group.

"Building on this expertise and its outstanding collection the Library is now positioned to make an increasingly important contribution to the understanding of Korea and Korean studies," said Ron Morse.

Congressional Action on 1990 Appropriations for The Library of Congress

The U.S. House of Representatives on July 31 approved H.R. 3014, the Legislative Branch Appropriations bill for fiscal year 1990, which included funding for the Library of Congress in the amount of $271,498,000, including authority to obligate receipts totaling $13,839,000.

This represents a $13,970,000 or 5.4 percent increase from fiscal year 1989 appropriated amounts and a decrease of $21,114,000 or 7.2 percent from the amount requested by the Library. Included in the House bill were $164,075,000 for Salaries and Expenses, which contains authority to spend $5,700,000 in receipts; $46,670,000 for the Congressional Research Service; $20,373,000 for the Copyright Office, including authority to spend $8,139,000 in receipts; $37,801,000 for Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped; and $2,579,000 for Furniture and Furnishings. Funds totaling $7,167,000 were approved for the Architect of the Capitol for the structural and mechanical care of Library buildings during fiscal 1990.

Under the category of Salaries and Expenses, an increase of $1,104,000 was recommended for purchase of books, including $916,000 for the general collections and $188,000 for the Law Library. Funding was provided

for 26 authorized positions currently underfunded, to be used for processing and cataloging arrearages. The American Memory project was allowed $963,668 and 17 permanent positions. In automated systems support, an increase of $1,700,000 was provided for cataloging software, work stations, and communications processing equipment. Five positions were allowed for National Programs, including one for the Information Office, two for the Center for the Book, and two in the Exhibits Office for the Bicentennial of Congress and American Memory project activities. Under administrative services, four new positions were authorized in Management Services, two for the Budget Office and two for procurement. Four positions were allowed in the Office of The Librarian for the affirmative action program. The committee bill also provided, subject to reauthorization, $1,033,000 for the Civic Achievement Award Program. The Copyright Office was allowed partial funding for 12 underfinanced positions. Four new positions were funded in the Congressional Research Service, including three in the Congressional Reference Division and one in the optical disk project, in addition to partial funding for 26 underfinanced positions.

The Senate Appropriations Committee reported H.R. 3014 to the full Senate on August 3. The Senate Appropriations Committee recommended a total of $274,500,000 for the Library of Congress in fiscal year 1990, which is an increase of $3,002,000 over the House-passed bill. The Senate version of the bill added $1,971,000 for Library of Congress Salaries and Expenses above the House amount, which would provide funding for three months for a Mexico City field office, additional funds to fill vacant underfunded positions in the Library, and the establishment of a Japan task force at the Library which would monitor and analyze current economic, social, political, and military trends in Japan with the purpose of keeping relevant committees of Congress informed of developments in Japan. The committee recommended an additional $183,000 over the House allowance to the Copyright Office to fill underfunded vacant positions. The committee also added $848,000 over the House allowance for the Congressional Research Service to fill underfunded vacant positions and for other purposes. For the Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped and Furniture and Furnishings accounts the Senate concurred with the House amount. The Senate committee recommended an additional $120,000 for the Architect of the Capitol over the House allowance for renovation of space in the Adams Building basement for the Senate Library. The bill as reported by the Senate Appropriations Committee is currently pending before the full Senate.

CDS to Discontinue Searching Service for Card Orders Lacking LCCNs

As of September 30 the Cataloging Distribution Service (CDS) of the Library of Congress will no longer provide a search service for card orders that are submitted without Library of Congress card numbers (LCCNs).

Since 1901, the search service for orders lacking LCCNs has been a major feature of the card services provided by the Library. Unique in today's marketplace, this service is a labor-intensive operation. Rising operating costs coupled with budget constraints make it no longer feasible for CDS to continue this aspect of the service. As always, CDS will continue to accept and fulfill all card orders that include LCCNs.

For the card order customer's convenience, CDS recommends *The Cumulative Book Index*, published by the H.W. Wilson Co., Bronx, N.Y., as an excellent source for finding LCCNs.

CDS will strive to process every searching order received that lacks LCCNs, postmarked no later than September 29, but cannot guarantee that all searching requests can be accommodated. CDS will notify customers promptly if their orders cannot be fulfilled.

For information about Library of Congress card services, contact the Customer Services Section, Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20541; telephone: (202) 707-6100.

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Opening September 29, **"To Make All Laws": The Congress of the United States, 1789–1989** is a comprehensive exhibition on the history of the Congress during the past 200 years, reviewing major achievements and legislative issues. Features rare historical documents, portraits, recordings, political cartoons, and videotapes illustrating the role of Congress in American life.

Madison Gallery to February 18, 1990.

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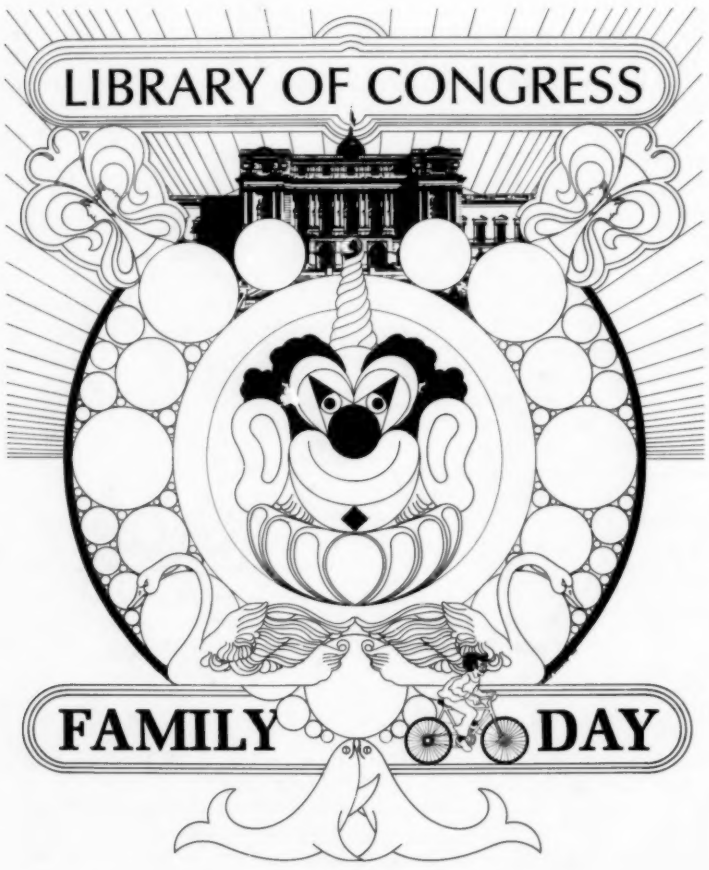

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Staff Activities

Cortez Austin, a cataloger in the Life Sciences Section of the Subject Cataloging Division, is the author of an article, "In Pursuit of Puffins: An Excursion to Machias Seal Island is an Adventure in Alcidae," that appeared in the September 1989 issue of *Wildbird*. One of Mr. Austin's photographs was selected for the cover of that issue.

Enikő Molnár Basa, a cataloger in the Serial Record Division, participated in the University of Toronto Triennial Studies Conference held May 11–13. Sponsored jointly by the American Hungarian Educators' Association and the Hungarian Studies Association of Canada, the conference brought together scholars from North America and Europe.

Dr. Basa was one of the panelists at the Round Table on Preserving Material Collections on Hungarians in North America. She also presented a paper entitled, "Az Anjou-kor képe a 19. századi magyar költészetben" ("The Image of the Anjou Era in 19th-Century Hungarian Poetry").

Jolande Rummer Goldberg, law classification specialist in the Subject Cataloging Division, is the author of a paper titled, "A Fourteenth-Century Legal Opinion," published in *Studi Senesi* (III Serie, XXXVII Siena, 1988), a journal of the Facolta di Giurisprudenza dell'Università. The paper is a revised and updated version of an article that appeared in *The Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress,* 25 (1968). The publication is intended to complement a major bibliography on consilia, currently in press, prepared by the Law Library.

In the article Dr. Goldberg discusses an original unpublished manuscript of a 14th-century *consilium* contained

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in the collection of the Law Library. The rare manuscript is the authentic legal opinion of Baldus de Ubaldis (ca. 1327–1400), one of the foremost authorities on Roman and canon law of his time. A facsimile of the original manuscript and a transcription of the text are included.

Jean E. Tucker, assistant information officer, organized and moderated a panel, "From Outside Looking In: How Foreign Correspondents Report the U.S.," at the annual meeting of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC) held in Washington, D.C., August 10–13. On the panel were six foreign correspondents stationed in Washington, D.C., who described their experiences covering the news in the United States. A question and answer session followed.

Ms. Tucker also was appointed to the newly created position of press liaison for the International Communication Division of AEJMC.

Theodore Wiener, a cataloger specializing in Judaica and Hebraica in the Humanities II Section of the Subject Cataloging Division, was honored at the convention of the Association of Jewish Libraries (AJL) held in Washington, D.C., June 18–21. He was presented with the Association's Life Membership Award in recognition of his many years of service to AJL. He was cited for representing the association in professional publications, for representing the association to the Council of National Library and Information Associations for the past 20 years, and for "unstinting sharing of his knowledge and expertise with association members on all levels."

A member of AJL almost from its inception, Mr. Wiener has attended most of its conventions, reporting on them in the LC *Information Bulletin,* and frequently participating in cataloging workshops. He has also held various offices, including president of the association's Research and Special Libraries Division and vice president of the association. He served as chair of the Council of National Library and Information Associations in 1978–79 and 1988–89.

Birth Announcement

Les Kober, a senior preliminary cataloger in the Descriptive Cataloging Division, and his wife, Rebecca, announced the arrival of Andrew Stephen Kober, born on August 2.

John R. James Dies

John Robert James, a former staff member in the Automation Planning and Liaison Office, died at his home in Key West, Fla., on July 23. He was 40 years old. Mr. James retired in June 1988 due to ill health.

Mr. James was born in Alexandria, La., and moved in his youth to Tyler, Tex., where he graduated from high school in 1967. He received a B.A. degree cum laude from Baylor University in 1971. In 1973 he was awarded a master of arts degree by the University of Dallas, and in 1974 a master of arts in library science by the University of Michigan. While at Michigan he was elected to membership in Beta Phi Mu, the national library science honorary society.

Upon joining the Library in 1974 as a descriptive cataloger, Mr. James was assigned to English Language Section 3 of the Descriptive Cataloging Division. As a senior descriptive cataloger he received commendations for several special assignments, including serving on a detail to the Senate Library, acting as a lecturer for the RTSD/LC/CRG institutes on AACR 2 (Anglo-American Cataloging Rules, Second Edition), and conducting analysis for the Library's use of cataloging data from the Government Printing Office for its cataloging of Federal documents.

In 1982 he accepted a position in the Automation Planning and Liaison Office where he served until his retirement. He was promoted to the position of senior automation planning specialist in 1983.

Mr. James received frequent recognition for his contributions to the Library in the form of outstanding performance ratings, quality within-grade increases, and incentive awards.

Among his many notable accomplishments was his coordination of the implementation of several new online systems, including NUC (National Union Catalog) Online, LC Subject Authorities Online, APIF–2, the Comterm Terminal Project, and the Linked Systems Project name authorities application. His colleagues recall his successful leadership in the automation of cataloging, both at the Library and nationally, and his extraordinary skill in writing clear and understandable technical documentation.

Among Mr. James' many interests were art, antiques, gardening, music, and theater. He belonged to the Library of Congress Cooking Club and was an active member of the American Library Association and other professional organizations.

John James' many friends and associates will remember him as a wonderful colleague, a good and patient teacher, and one who was always willing to lend a hand in response to the needs of others.

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Friday, September 22
☐ "Contracting for Library and Information Center Services: A Delicate Balance," Fuad Suleiman, vice-president, Educational Development Center. FLICC Brown Bag Lunch Series. Dining Room A, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Monday, September 25
☐ U.S. Secretary of Education Lauro F. Cavazos speaks on "1980—The Year of the Young Reader," LC Hispanic Heritage Month program. Coolidge Auditorium, 1:30 p.m.

Friday, September 29
☐ Opening of exhibition "'To Make All Laws': The Congress of the United States, 1789–1989." Madison Gallery.

Monday, October 2
☐ "Language, Nonsense, and Poetry," talk by Poet Laureate Howard Nemerov. Mumford Room, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, October 3
☐ "Children's Literature from Puerto Rico: Then and Now," Mumford Room, 10–11:30 a.m. LC Hispanic Heritage Month program.

Wednesday, October 4
☐ "Zoot Suit," film screening. LC Hispanic Heritage Month program. Pickford Theater, 12 noon.

Thursday, October 5
☐ "Zoot Suit," film screening. LC Hispanic Heritage Month program. Pickford Theater, 12 noon.

☐ "The Jewish High Holidays: History, Customs, and Foodways," Dov Noy, director, Folklore Research Center, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel. American Folklife Center free lecture. Whittall Pavilion, 4–5:30 p.m.

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